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IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended) A security article comprising:  
a light transmissive substrate having a first surface and an  
opposing second surface and having a predetermined thickness,  
the first surface having a diffraction grating pattern or a  
holographic image pattern and the second surface being  
substantially planar, wherein the a depth of the diffraction  
grating or holographic image pattern is substantially less  
than the predetermined thickness of the light transmissive  
substrate; and  
a color shifting optical coating on the second surface of the  
substrate , said optical coating including a polymeric medium  
and a plurality of color shifting multilayer optical  
interference flakes dispersed in the polymeric medium,  
wherein the flakes comprise an absorber layer, a dielectric  
layer and a reflector layer, wherein the optical film  
provides an observable discrete color shift such that the  
article has a first background color at a first angle of  
incident light or viewing and a second background color  
different from the first background color at a second angle  
of incident light or viewing, the article exhibiting an  
optical diffraction grating pattern effect or a holographic  
image pattern effect in addition to the first and second  
background colors.

Claims 2-6 (canceled)

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7. (previously presented) A security article as defined in claim 1 wherein the polymeric medium includes at least a pigment vehicle for use in ink or paint.